TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL NOTE

SB 1822 - HB 1914

January 30, 2022

SUMMARY OF BILL: Prohibits a convicted felon whose voting rights have not been restored from entering a polling place or coming within the 100-foot boundary from an entrance to a polling place.

Authorizes county election commissions to adopt policies to credential members of the press for the purpose of allowing access to polling places to take photographs and videos.

Prohibits an individual, other than a voter who is authorized to be present at a polling place and credentialed press, from using a mobile electronic or communication device for telephone conversations, recording, or taking photographs or videos while inside the polling place or within the 100-foot boundary from an entrance.

FISCAL IMPACT:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

Assumptions:

- Pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 2-19-102, a violation of the proposed legislation is a Class C misdemeanor.
- There is not estimated to be a sufficient number of prosecutions for state or local government to experience any significant increase in revenue or expenditures.
- Adopting policies to credential members of the press can be accomplished within
 existing resources and will not result in a significant fiscal impact to state or local
 government.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

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